

Subject No. 440.

Lands with few
date trees to be given
out for cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—Lands containing even a few date trees are refused for cultivation. This should not be.

Dewan's reply.—Only lands containing valuable date groves will be thus reserved.

T. NARSIPUR TALUK.**Subject No. 441.**

Clearance of weeds
in channels.

Summary of discussion.—No orders have as yet been passed regarding the clearance of weeds in channels. Raiyats of villages within whose limits a channel passes can easily remove weeds from such portions of the channel as lie within their village. But raiyats holding lands from 20 to 30 miles lower down are required to clear weeds near the head-sluiice. It is impossible for them to do this without very great inconvenience to themselves and prejudice to their field work. Orders should be given for getting the weeds cleared by Public Works Department agency together with the silt or only by the raiyats who hold lands in the neighbourhood of the sections of channel to be weeded.

Dewan's reply.—The best plan would be to divide the channel proportionately to areas irrigated by the different sections and mark out these divisions by stones fixed on the bund and enforce the liability of the cultivators of these different areas to clear the weeds within the length of channel allotted.

Subject No. 442.

Overflow of Irriga-
tion channels
damaging cultivation.

Summary of discussion.—At present overflows of Irrigation channels and surface drainage are allowed to run over cultivated land to the great injury of land and crops. The Public Works Department should be required to make proper arrangements for carrying away the water in convenient channels to the river or to the nearest ravine.

Dewan's reply.—Represent individual instances by petition and the Public Works Department will do the needful.

Subject No. 443.

A Sanskrit and an
English School at
Sosalé.

Summary of discussion.—A Sanskrit *Pathasala* and an English School should be opened at Sosalé.

Dewan's reply.—Apply to the Education Secretary under the Rules.

Subject No. 444.

Repairs to the bath-
ing ghat at Tiruma-
kudlu Narsipur.

Summary of discussion.—There is a bathing ghat in front of Narasimhaswami temple at Tirumakudlu-Narsipur which is largely used by the people. The steps being very old, are deranged and besides causing inconvenience may prove dangerous during floods. The steps should be repaired.

Dewan's reply.—Matter for Local Fund and Municipal Boards.

HUNSUR TALUK.**Subject No. 445.**

Mohatarfa House
Tax.

Summary of discussion.—A better system of valuing house property for purposes of House-tax should be introduced. The commercial value of the property should be